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For: INTEGRATED COAL GASIFICATION COMBINED CYCLE POWER GENERATOR

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the final Office Action mailed December 5, 2001, the period for reply extending to June 5, 2002, by virtue of a petition and fee for three-month extension of time submitted concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121, please substitute for original claims 1, 3, 33 and 46, the following rewritten versions of the same claims, as amended. The changes are shown explicitly in the attached "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made."

1. (Three Times Amended) An integrated coal gasification combined cycle power generator (IGCC) comprising:

a coal gasification system for producing a combustible gas from coal, wherein said coal gasification system supplies said combustible gas to a gas turbine system;

said gas turbine system comprises a gas turbine for performing expansion work using said combustible gas, wherein said gas turbine supplies exhaust gas to a heat recovery system;